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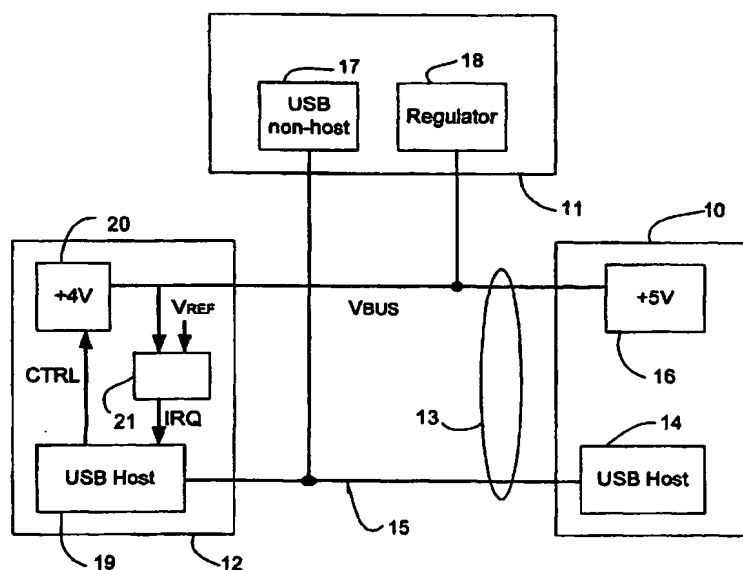
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(57) Abstract: An accessory device (12), such as a DVB-T receiver is operable as a USB host to a mobile telephone (11) to which it is connected via a USB bus (13). When acting as a host, the accessory device (12) provides a 4V supply voltage on V_{BUS} to the mobile telephone, which includes a regulator (18) regulating the voltage to 3.3 Volts. When a host device (PC) is also connected to the USB bus (13), the voltage on V_{BUS} rises, and this is detected by a comparator (21). In response, the accessory device (12) sends a USB reset command sends its USB lines tri-state, and ceases to supply V_{BUS} , thereby relinquishing host status. Loss of the PC (10) is detected by detecting a low voltage on V_{BUS} , following which the accessory device reassumes host status.